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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application- 21 pages, including 4 independent claims and 5 claims total.
2. Drawings- 10 sheets of drawings containing 15 figures (Figs. 1-12, 13A, 13B and 14).
3. Information Disclosure Statement and Information Disclosure Citation, PTO 1449 with 1 document attached.
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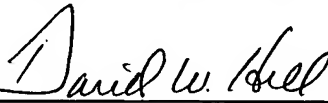
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